

Matthias Król and Thecla Lepa

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Matthias (Maciej) Król and Thecla (Tekla) Lepa were married on 5/27/1821 at the Catholic church located in Przeczyca.

The parents of Matthias Król were Philip (Filip) and Sophia (Zofia) Król. He was born in 1790 in Zagórze. His mother's maiden name is uncertain, but she was known as Sophia Łacki when she was a widow prior to marrying Philip Król. Thecla Lepa's parents were Gasper (Kacper) Lepa and Marianna Lis. She was born in 1800, also in Zagórze. Their marriage record was listed as House #25 in Zagórze, which was the Król family farm. It is not possible to identify the Lepa family farm from the marriage record alone. A baptism record was found for Thecla Lepa born in Zagórze to parents with the correct names. This identification is presumed to be accurate rather than coincidental.

Both surnames were spelled differently over time in different documents. For instance, Lepa was also spelled as Lempa. Król was also spelled as Krul. For genealogy purposes, Król and Lepa are accurate.

Matthias Król and Thecla Lepa had four known children:

Child	Baptism	Godparents (surnames as written since some are illegible)	Notes
Marianna	8/15/1822	Bartholomew Dzedzic (?) and Sophia (wife of Peter ?) Woytonik (?)	
Anna	6/17/1824	John Kurek and Thecla (wife of Bartholomew) (surname illegible)	Died when seven years old
Martin (Marcin)	10/23/1825	John Lackzki and Marianna Dudek (wife of Jacob)	Died when five years old
Catherine (Katarzyna)	10/21/1829	John Dudek and Sophia Woytowicz (wife of Peter)	Died when one year old

Two of the four baptism records listed House #25 in Zagórze, while the other two listed House #5. It is unclear whether this reflects a recording error or a temporary change of residence.

Their daughter Marianna Król, the couple's only child known to have survived into adulthood, married Gregory (Grzegorz) Dudek in 1844, also in Przeczyca. They are Michael E. Byczek's 3x-great-grandparents.

Matthias Król passed away in 1831 at House #25 Zagórze. His death marked the beginning of a devastating series of tragedies endured by Thecla (Lepa) Król. Her husband died on July 3, 1831. Three of her four children would pass away by the end of August of the same year. Her father Gasper Lepa died in November. Her last surviving child, Marianna, was nine years old at the time. Thecla never remarried and passed away in 1874 on the same farm. Her son-in-law Gregory Dudek acquired ownership of House #25 after his marriage to Marianna in 1844.

Feb 20	25	Matthias	1	1	1	Philipus Król	Sophia Lacka	Stanislaw Klusek Christina Lepina	Herb
25	23	Franciska	1	1	1	Lucas Król	Marianna	Jacobus	

1790 Baptism of Matthias Król
House #25 Zagórze (Przeczyca)

Baptized on 2/2/1790 (date of birth not listed)
Godparents: Stanislaw Klusek ? and Christina Lepa (?)

April 6	32	Thecla	1	1	1	Jasper Kempa	Marianna Krolka	Casimir Lacki Agnes Leana	Hohulanas Hro. Koster
7	5	Adalbertus	1	1	1	Jacobus	Catharina		

Presumed Baptism of Thecla Lepa
House #32 Zagórze (Przeczyca Parish)

Baptized on 4/6/1800 (date of birth not listed)
Godparents: Casimir Lacki (?) and Agnes (?)

Sepelwit Joannes Bienkowski Administrator						
3	5	25	Matthias Król pater fami liar hortus	1	"	Ann hydrope - substa 44 nec abilit - deon erat pro N sacra mentis
Sepelwit Joannes Bienkowski Administrator						
7	9	7	facimus Lzchi pater familiar hortus	1	"	Ann Ordinario - pro 68. N. Sacramentis
Sepelwit Joannes Bienkowski Administrator						
15	15	25	Catherina Królka Mathis Król et Thecla hortus filia.	1	"	Ann Ordinario 1 1/2
17	19	25	Anna Królka Mathis Król et Thecla hortus filia.	1	"	Ann Febri Nerosa 5.
Sepelwit Joannes Bienkowski Administrator						

Sepelwit Joannes Bienkowski Administrator						
29	31	25	Martinus Król Mathis Król et Thecla hortus filius.	1	"	Ann Phleisi 2 1/2
Sepelwit Joannes Bienkowski Administrator						
Pater ... Ann Febri ...						

Death of Matthias Król - 7/3/1831
 His daughter Catherine died ten days later.
 His daughter Anna died four days after Catherine.
 These three deaths are nearly consecutive in the church ledger book
 His son Martin died a month later on 8/29/1831
 All recorded at House #25 Zagórze (Przeczycza)

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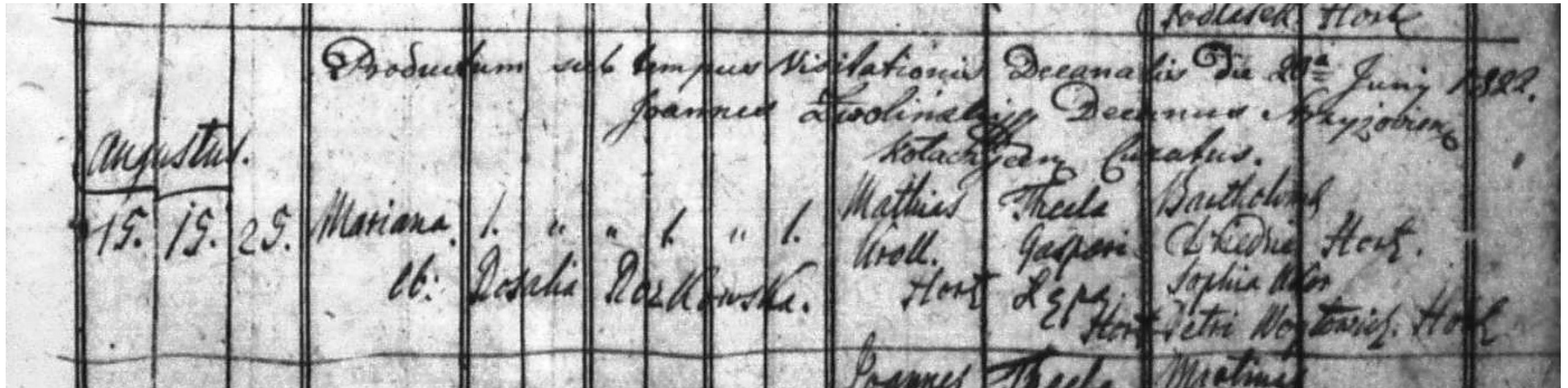
Death of Thecla (Lepa) Król
House #25 Zagórze (Przeczycza)
Died on 5/16/1874



Present-day Catholic Church in Przemyska
Parafia rzymskokatolicka pw. Najświętszej Maryi Panny Wniebowziętej
Cemetery is located in the background

Children of Matthias Król and Thecla Lepa

Representative documents are shown below.



Baptism of Marianna Król
 Born on 8/15/1822
 House #25 Zagórze (Przeczycza)

6.

1844		Sponsus					Sponsa					Testes	
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				Catholica	Aut alia			Catholica	Aut alia				
	November												
6	19	11	Gregorius Dudek, Aalberti Dudek, hucusq in Villa Zagorze de Juhuti et Apo-tonis de Gile parentulu lexi-timorum filius.			23	Marianna Krulowka, filia huj in Villa Zagorze de Juhuti et Thecla de Lengy pa-rentulu lexi-timorum filia			Josephus Lempa, hucusq in Villa Zagorze de Juhuti et Thecla de Lengy pa-rentulu lexi-timorum filia			

Marriage of Gregory Dudek and Marianna Król
 11/19/1844
 Listed under Zagórze (Przeczyca)

Gregory was living at House #11 Zagórze and Marianna at House #24 Zagórze
 Witnesses: Joseph Lempa (Zagórze) and the other is illegible

9	20	24	25	Marianna Dudek vidua post Gregorium agricolam, nata Król	1	.	.	1	66 annor	diaria S. prov. Margdela 23/a.c.
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Death record of Marianna (Król) Dudek
House #25 Zagórze (Przezyca)
Died on 6/20/1889

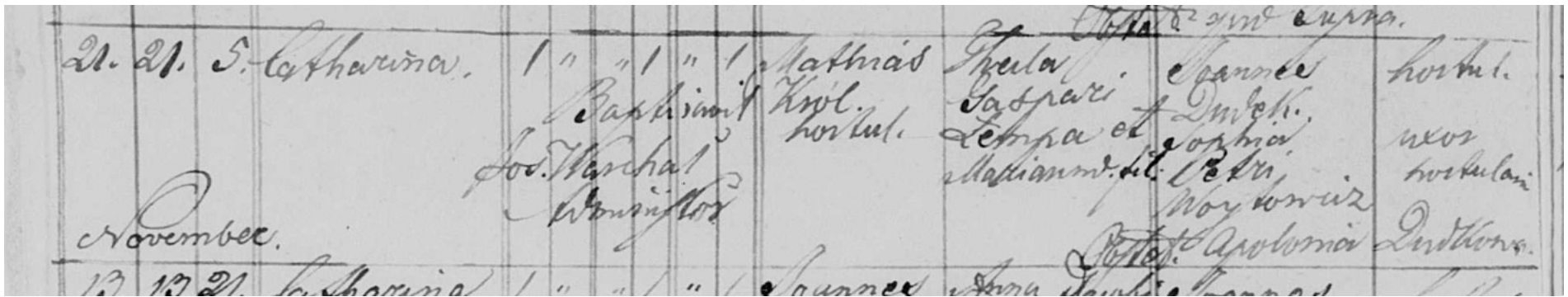
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		Obit. Rosalia Ronkowska							
		Bapt. ut supra.							

Baptism of Anna Król
 Born on 6/17/1824
 House #5 Zagórze (Przeczycza)

23	25	25	Martinus	1	"	1	"	"	1	Matthias Król. hormul.	Thecla Lepa paci Lepa filia.	Joannes Ligacki. Marianna Jauobi Duz Bek uxor.	hormul.
26	26	26	Martinus	1	"	1	"	"	1	Matthias	Thecla Lepa	Joannes	hormul.

Baptism of Martin Król
 10/23/1825
 House #25 Zagórze (Przeczycza)

Catherine



Baptism of Catherine Król
 Born on 10/21/1829
 House #5 Zagórze (Przeczyca)

Additional Information

Michael E. Byczek, an Illinois attorney and managing real estate broker, has compiled original records for genealogy since 1992. Research and analysis have been published on family websites for over 30 years. A project to compile comprehensive digital, print, and video documentaries for every direct blood ancestor began in September 2024 for accurate online genealogy.

Matthias Król and Thecla Lepa are Michael E. Byczek's 4x-great-grandparents. Their daughter Marianna Król (3x-great-grandmother) married Gregory Dudek in 1844, also in Przeczyca. Their son Adalbert Dudek (2x-great-grandfather) married Victoria Król in 1886, also in Przeczyca. Their daughter Maryanna Dudek (great-grandmother) married Martin Byczek in Chicago, IL at St. Mary of Perpetual Help in the Bridgeport neighborhood in 1907. Their son Michael S. Byczek (grandfather) married Marie Flanagan in 1950 at St. Bridget's in Bridgeport. Their eldest child Michael M. Byczek (father) married Betty A. Bykowski in 1974 at St. Helen's on Augusta and Oakley in Chicago. They have two children. Michael E. Byczek is the eldest and was born in Bridgeport.

Southeast Poland - Dębica County, Subcarpathian Voivodeship:

- Przeczyca is a village in the administrative district of Gmina Brzostek
- Zagórze is a village in the administrative district of Gmina Jodłowa

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